

1 indirect electrical connection between each lower surface signal
2 connector pad on the lid and one of the signal connector pads
3 located upon the upper surface of the die.
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5 In order to make clear that the electrical connection
6 recited in claim 1 (amended) means an electrically direct
7 connection and not some indirect electrical connection via an
8 intervening device such as a field effect transistor, claim 1
9 (amended) has been further amended to include the word "directly"
10 in the description of the electrical connection. It is
11 respectfully submitted that the inclusion of the word "directly"
12 simply further clarifies the meaning ascribed by the
13 specification and the drawings to the words "electrically
14 connected".
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16 It is respectfully submitted that the foregoing amendment
17 traverses the basis for rejecting claim 1. Because claims 2 thru
18 10 are dependent upon claim 1, and because claims 11 and 12 have
19 been allowed, it is believed that all of the claims are in
20 condition to be allowed. Accordingly, applicant asks that the
21 patent issue and include claims 1 thru 12.
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23 If the examiner has any questions, it would be appreciated
24 if the examiner would contact G. Joseph Buck at (310) 465-1864.
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1 Please also note that my mailing address has changed to:

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7 Notice of this address change also has been given by separate
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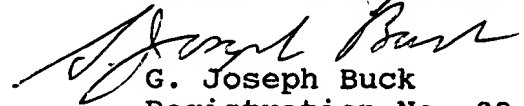
10 No additional fee is seen to be required.

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